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Sent: 3/11/2020 4:48:30 PM
To: Sullivan, Kate [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=1ae54d9bb036451b8df78d633b928662-Sullivan, Kate]
CC: Stuart, Brittany [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=6320e90a5ccd4554805142bc094c3026-Stuart, Brittany]
Subject: RE: NJ Veg QA Data Set
Attachments: NJ Veg-polyethers_allreps_MJBD_QA_200204.xlsx

Yes of course. Data is attached.

From: Sullivan, Kate <Sullivan.Kate@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 12:47 PM
To: Tong-Argao, Sania <Tong-Argao.Sania@epa.gov>
Cc: Stuart, Brittany <Stuart.Brittany@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: NJ Veg QA Data Set

Could I see this dataset?

From: Tong-Argao, Sania <Tong-Argao.Sania@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 11:23 AM
To: Sullivan, Kate <Sullivan.Kate@epa.gov>
Cc: Stuart, Brittany <Stuart.Brittany@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: NJ Veg QA Data Set

Hi Kate,

Please see below for context for our discussion today. I understand John's concern, and I know what I have proposed is a little different than what he was used to in the past. When I chatted briefly with Brittany about it yesterday, we agreed that conducting the QA review of the data after you have done your processing and have produced the 'official' data file would help reduce the number of times that QA needed to conduct a review. The benefit of this method is that QA can focus our review efforts on the data being reported and not all of the data, which may not all be reported in the final report.

Also, I hope it was clear that I don't think he is having conversations about preliminary data with the state without prior approval. I believe he is conscious of that. However, I also think it would be worth clarifying that just because a QA review has taken place doesn't mean the clearance process is complete and that the final data is the data that gets reported through the data reports. Tim did mention today that discussion of preliminary data is fine and helpful as the state is our customer and getting their feedback helps to make sure the state's needs are met.

Thanks, and chat soon,
Sania

From: Washington, John <Washington.John@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 8:50 AM
To: Tong-Argao, Sania <Tong-Argao.Sania@epa.gov>
Cc: Davis, Mary J. <davis.maryj@epa.gov>; Stuart, Brittany <Stuart.Brittany@epa.gov>; Stevens, Caroline <Stevens.Caroline@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: NJ Veg QA Data Set

Sania,

I prefer not to have any hold up on this. If Kate can process these data using an automated review without delay to help speed your review, that is fine with me. But our collaborating scientists in NJ want to be able to talk with me about these data as soon as possible. And on all previous data, we had performed a large amount of data interpretation/summarizing after QA review and before the report was completed. So I prefer whatever path is most expeditious for clearing these high-priority data.

If you want to arrange with Kate for a fast assessment of the data, that is ok with me, but I prefer our required QA review not be postponed by a report preparation which is not a required component of our data clearance.

Thanks,
John

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To: Washington, John <Washington.John@epa.gov>
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Subject: RE: NJ Veg QA Data Set

Hi John,

Thanks for sharing this dataset for review. Has this data set been given to Kate yet? It would be more efficient for Kate to review and process the data to help make it 'report ready' prior to my review so I can look at the complete set of data at the same time.

Thanks,
Sania

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From: Washington, John <Washington.John@epa.gov>
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To: Tong-Argao, Sania <Tong-Argao.Sania@epa.gov>
Cc: Davis, Mary J. <davis.maryj@epa.gov>; Stuart, Brittany <Stuart.Brittany@epa.gov>; Stevens, Caroline <Stevens.Caroline@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: NJ Veg QA Data Set

Hi Sania,

Attached are polyether PFAS data for New Jersey vegetation. These data were produced by Mary Davis and processed consistently with other data that already have been thru QA clearance including legacy PFAS compounds in soil and vegetation, and polyether PFAS in vegetation.

All the NJ polyether data (soil and vegetation) were identified via nontargeted analyses and, having no standards available, we are "semi-quantitating" these compounds "as [chosen mass-labeled matrix internal standard (IS)]" (C9 in the past and C9 plus a second IS here). The nontargeted component of identifying these data has gone thru clearance. Here we are intending to clear our semi-quantitation efforts.

Processing by this method is challenging as is review, but these efforts buy us aggressively low reporting limits. Mary and/or I would be pleased to talk with you about these efforts. And Brittany has suffered through review of these kinds of processing as well.

Thanks!
John

From: Davis, Mary J. <davis.maryj@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 4, 2020 10:31 AM
To: Washington, John <Washington.John@epa.gov>
Subject: NJ Veg QA Data Set

Hi John,

I've attached the NJ Veg data file for QA review. Please let me know if there is anything I need to improve upon for QA review.

Thanks,

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